



## Armistice Dance, Irma, Tuesday, November 11

### Canadians Went From Barter To Banking 130 Years Ago

Bank of Montreal, Canada's First-established Bank  
Gave Colonists Their First Real Money—Founded  
Canadian Branch Banking System in 1817

#### B of M COMPLETES 30 YEARS ON SECOND CENTURY OF OPERATION

Indian bands drifting after the buffalo herds provided almost the only human aspect of Canada's western plains, back in 1817. Civilization had reached only a few buckskin-gloved fingers into the region.

Today, the Prairie Provinces are among the most progressive areas in the world. A good deal of credit for this transformation belongs to the first permanent bank established west of the Great Lakes. This was the Bank of Montreal, which began its career on November 3, 1817, and so celebrates its 130th birthday next Monday.

In all the years since its foundation, 1817, the B of M has never missed opening for business on a single banking day. Thus, its services have been woven closely and continuously into the dynamic progress of Canada since that time.

#### 'GOOD' OLD DAYS

There was little in that early period to give promise of Canada's bright future. The population, just about half a million, carried on trade principally by barter and to a lesser extent by the use of American, British, French, Spanish and Portuguese money. Commerce was in a state of chaos, owing to its dependence on the varying rates of exchange of these currencies and the obvious inadequacy of barter.

As the first bank in the country, the B of M immediately set about doing all it could to correct this condition. It began by issuing its own bills in small denominations and, later, copper tokens.

This currency was Canada's first real money. It did much to steady and speed up trade, because it provided a reliable common denominator for the exchange of other currencies, as well as a thorough-going domestic medium of exchange.

A second innovation occurred within a fortnight after the opening of the first office in Montreal, when the bank started an agency in Quebec City. This step represented the introduction of the branch-banking system in Canada. The system has since proven a major source of both the dynamic growth and stability which have long characterized the Canadian economy.

Even before the end of 1817, the bank's directors were making arrangements with the Duke of Richmond, then Governor of Canada, to supply the Government with money. Thus, the Montreal Bank, to use its early name, became the first domestic banker of the Canadian Government.

#### FOUNDED FINANCIAL SYSTEM

The sum of these innovations was that the bank ended the uncertainty and disorder in which business was transacted in Canada and founded the first native system of finance. In the 130 years of its existence, this system has enabled the Canadian economy to survive two major wars and several smaller ones, as well as periodic depressions and civil unrest. Despite all the ups and downs of world conditions since 1817 the national economy has won recognition far and wide for dependability and elasticity.

As the years passed, the bank spread its branches all over Canada, giving financial support and counsel to the country's young industries.

#### FIRST PRAIRIE BRANCH

The office it opened at Winnipeg in 1877 was the first permanent bank west of the Great Lakes.

The people of Winnipeg numbered less than a fortieth of the present population, and the transportation industry was still represented by the horse, ox-cart and dog-sled.

Despite popular misgivings as to the practicability of a transcontinental railway and the agricultural value of the lands between Manitoba and the Rockies, the bank placed its resources to a marked extent behind the building of the Canadian Pacific. In the opening up of the West which followed, B of M branches went hand in hand with the pioneers and were established at key points from eastern sea to western at an early date. The Regina branch opened in 1882, while that of the frontier settlement of Calgary began serving the community's thousand odd citizens four years later.

The bank contributed vitally to many phases of home-front activity in both world wars. In both peace and war, the far-sighted policies of Canada's oldest bank have contributed to the strength, swift progress and high standard of living of the young country. And the B of M has grown with Canada.

The bank began with a capital of \$250,000 and a staff of seven. Today, its capital and reserve amount to \$75,000,000. Its resources are close to the two-billion mark, and its staff numbers more than 8,000. It has over 500 branches including offices in Newfoundland, London, New York, Chicago and San Francisco. B of M depositors number more than 1,500,000 - about one out of every five depositors in the nation.

Thus, the bank that nine colonial merchants started has, in effect, become one with the Canadian people.

#### LOCAL OFFICE HAS THIRTY YEAR HISTORY

Here at Irma the Bank of Montreal's office has a history of more than 31 years. Opened December 13, 1916, in the building formerly occupied by the Merchants Bank of Canada, the branch has since played an important part in the steady development of this community and the surrounding district.

The office here, open on Tuesday and Friday of each week, operates as a sub-agency to the bank's Wainwright office, under the management of Lloyd W. Smith. Mr. Smith is a banker of 42 years' experience gained in the prairie provinces and British Columbia. Keenly interested in church and Red Cross work, Mr. Smith is well known throughout this district.

At Wainwright, where Mr. Smith has his headquarters, the Bank of Montreal has been established for nearly 40 years. Originally a branch of the Merchants Bank of Canada, long since merged with the B of M, the office opened there on August 21, 1908.

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the many friends, also Dr. Blades and nurses of Royal Columbian hospital for their kind expressions of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes in our recent bereavement. Special thanks to Rev. Jeffcott for consoling words.

Mr. W. Cole, Edith Cockcroft and Elsie Coulman.

"Too many people believe baptism of the infant is all necessary for its salvation and are never seen in church again until another infant is born." —Rev. William McRoberts.

### Obituary

MRS. ELIZABETH COLE

Funeral service was held on October 16th, 1947 for Mrs. Elizabeth Cole, who passed away October 13, 1947 at Royal Columbian Hospital, New Westminster, B.C. The late Mrs. Cole was born in Middlesex, England in 1870. She came to Canada in June 1914, living in the southern part of Alberta for a few years then moving to Irma in the spring of 1927. In 1940 she moved to White Rock, B.C. where she lived until the time of her death.

The deceased was very active in earlier years in Women's Auxiliary of the Anglican Church, also in Women's Institute work.

Left to mourn are her loving husband, two daughters, Mrs. H. Cockcroft, Edmonton, and Mrs. G. Coulman, Irma, also a sister and brother in England.

Interment was made at Christ Church churchyard, Cloverdale, the Rev. Jeffcott officiating.

Beautiful floral tributes were received from: Loving Husband Will; the Family; Grandchildren; Stanton and Anne; Milton and Rose; Gordon and Kay; Emily and Jim; Flora, George; Mr. and Mrs. R. Moulton; Mr. and Mrs. New; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Shotts; Mr. and Mrs. B. Osterhout; Mr. and Mrs. R. McFarland; Mr. and Mrs. McKean; Pat and Al Moritz and Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Oliver; W.A. of Holy Trinity; Mr. J. Holtum; Mr. and Mrs. Bielby.

### Glen-Coa Gleanings

After a stay of some weeks, in which he assisted neighbors with threshing, Mr. E. R. Erickson left for his home at Mount Vernon, Wash., on October 21.

Mrs. Lawrence Fuder and children are going to Edmonton on November 1, to join Lawrence, as they plan to make their home there for the time being. The well wishes of the community go with them.

Solveig and Arlene Steffensen were home over the weekend.

Mr. Stanley Lissom and Charles made a brief visit to the neighborhood this week.

Sharon Ladies' Aid plan to hold their annual sale of work on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 8. Lunch will be served after the sale. Come everyone and help to make this a successful event.

Mrs. L. Hollings has undergone an operation at Hardisty hospital. Her many friends are thinking of her and hope she will be up and about soon again.



B. C. GARDNER, vice-president and general manager of the Bank of Montreal, who is also president of the Canadian Bankers' Association and a vice-president of the American Bankers' Association.

Mr. Gardner, whose wide experience in banking includes service in England, the United States and Newfoundland, as well as in eastern and western Canada, became an assistant general manager of the bank in 1935. In 1942, he assumed the duties of general manager of the organization and two years later became a director and vice-president.

### Northern Nuggets

The monthly meeting of the Buffalo Cattle W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. L. Currie. The ladies are putting on a Harvest Supper in the Albert School on November 14th.

Miss Atkins, the Albert teacher, is having a dance after the Harvest Supper, in aid of the Christmas Fund. Come and give her your support.

Mr. Gerald Currie, Edmonton, has been a recent visitor at the home of his brother, Mr. Ivan Currie.

Two threshing mishaps occurred in our district this fall. Mr. W. D. Ramsay suffered some fractured ribs and Mr. L. H. Bars suffered an injured hand, when it became caught in the machine. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

Mr. J. A. Fleming is at present a patient in the Mannville hospital. We will be glad to see him home again, soon.

Mr. E. B. Allen and his son, John, are in Edmonton on business this week.

The nice weather lasted and threshing has finally been completed.

Remember the Harvest Supper put on by the W.I. and the dance, in aid of the Christmas Fund, both to be held on November 14th in the Albert School. Watch for our posters.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ramsay have moved into their new home, east of the Albert school.

The November meeting of the U.F.A. will be held on Monday, November 3rd. Please attend.

### Wedding Bells

TAYLOR - FUNK

At 8 o'clock on Saturday, October 25, a very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Funk when their elder daughter, Nora, Sharnay, became the bride of John Albert Taylor, third son of Mrs. and the late Mr. A. A. Taylor, of Fabyan.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. W. Inglis. Mrs. L. Alexander played the wedding music.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor length dress of white tulle, featuring a sweet heart neckline, long sleeves, fitted bodice and gathered skirt. Her long veil of embroidered net was held in place by a Mary Queen of Scots headress. Her jewelry was a pearl necklace and earrings and she carried a bouquet of sweetheart roses and white baby mums.

Betty Funk, sister of the bride was bridesmaid and her dress of aqua tulle was styled similar to the bride's but had short sleeves. With this she wore a heart shaped emerald locket and a corsage of tallman roses.

Allen Taylor, brother of the groom acted as best man.

For her daughter's wedding Mrs. Funk had chosen a black dress with black and silver trim.

Mrs. Taylor, mother of the groom was frocked in black with powder blue accessories.

During the afternoon a reception was held to nearly a hundred guests. The bride's table was laid with a cloth of hand-made lace and was centered by a three tiered wedding cake flanked by vases of roses. A delicious buffet luncheon was enjoyed by all.

The happy couple left in a streamer bedecked car for a honeymoon in Edmonton. On their return they will make their home on the groom's farm near Fabyan.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Funk of Sask.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Funk of Irma and Mrs. Geo. Taylor, Rocky Mountain House.

#### CALF CLUB MEETING

Irma district is going to start a Calf Club this year, sponsored by the Irma Board of Trade. An organization meeting will be held on Saturday, November 8th, at 2:30 p.m. All interested young farm people are invited to attend and hear more about Junior Club work.



GEORGE W. SPINNEY, C.M.G., president of the Bank of Montreal for the past five years of the bank's 130-year history. A member of the staff since 1906, he joined the bank as a junior at his native town of Yarmouth, N.S.

Mr. Spinney served at a number of posts in the bank before his appointment as assistant to the general manager in 1922. In 1928, he was appointed an assistant general manager and eight years later he became general manager. During the war, Mr. Spinney was chairman of the First Victory Loan Campaign and for two years he was chairman of the National War Finance Committee.

#### S. C. HECKBERT, SPEAKER

##### AT ZONE 2 RALLY

Last Tuesday evening, October 21st, the North Hall was the scene of a Canadian Legion Rally of the branches in Zone 2, where some 200 people assembled. The first part of the evening was in the form of a meeting with Zone Commander Selmer Halso in the chair. The meeting opened with the singing of "O Canada" and two minutes silence was observed. Cde. Wm. Revill, President of the Viking Legion, was called upon and he gave a word of welcome to the different branches represented.

Cde. Halso then called upon Cde. Brown, representing Ryley Legion; Cde. McKie, Kinsella Legion; Cde. Rev. Orme, Tofield Legion; Cde. Horne, Wainwright Legion; Cde. Targett, Irma Legion; Cde. Armishaw, Paradise Valley Legion; Cde. Lefsrud, Viking Legion, who all gave appropriate greetings from their respective branches.

Cde. S. Lefsrud introduced to the audience Cde. S. C. Heckbert of Vermilion, President of the Alberta Provincial Command, who gave a most interesting talk on the history and work of the Canadian Legion throughout Canada among other important items such as pensions, etc. and stated, quote, "It is up to everybody to stand together because of service rendered by comrades in peace as in war." After his very inspiring speech it was moved by Cde. Horne the meeting adjourn, seconded by Cde. Rev. Orme.

The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing and refreshments were served.



Canada's First Bank Manager

Taken from an old silhouette, the reproduction above is of Robert Griffin, the Bank of Montreal's first cashier. Mr. Griffin, whose position was similar to that of a present-day manager, served with the B of M from 1817 to 1827.

### At the Churches

IRMA UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, November 2nd

Paschendale—11:15 a.m.

Roseberry—3 p.m.

Irma Sunday School—11 a.m.

Worship service—7:30 p.m.

The Rev. H. W. Inglis will be in charge.

A hearty invitation to all. "Repent ye for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand." Matt 3:2

CHRISTIAN and MISSIONARY

ALLIANCE

10:30—Sunday school at home of pastor.

All children welcome.

3 p.m.—Education Point—Sunday school and Bible Class followed by afternoon worship service.

8 p.m.—Irma—Hedley's Hall. The regular Sunday evening service. Be on time and enjoy the song service. Message of the evening.

"The Christians Present Walk and Future Reward."

Come and bring a friend. We welcome you.

Pastor—Geo. E. Warnock.

"Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay,' saith the Lord." Rom. 12:19

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

A service of Holy Communion will be held in St. Mary's church on Sunday, November 2, at 3:00 p.m.

### Southern Sayings

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jackson attended the Silver Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harding of Kinsella on Wednesday, Oct. 29th.

The Coyotes are decreasing in number since Jimmie Jackson had the misfortune of catching two last week.

Congratulations go to the proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Long on the birth of a son, Barry Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Festen and girls spent Saturday, October 25th with friends in the district.

Around 90 friends and relatives spent a very enjoyable afternoon and evening at the wedding supper held at Mr. and Mrs. P. Funk's home October 25th after which they all gathered at the school for the Thresher's Dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Funk and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Funk and family of Saskatchewan spent the weekend at P. Funk's and Ewert Bros. homes.

There will be a Whist Drive and Dance at Strawberry Plains School November 7th.

A number from the District attended the Fowl supper and dance held by the Orange Lodge last Wednesday, October 22nd.

Marion Setzer was a patient in the Hardisty hospital.

### Community Cook Book



#### Boiled Raisin Cake

- 2 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups brown sugar.
- 1/2 cup butter.
- 2 cups raisins boiled 20 min.
- 1 cup water in which raisins were boiled (cooled).
- 1 tsp. each cinnamon, cloves, nutmeg.
- 2 tsp. baking powder.
- 1 tsp. soda in flour.
- Flour to stiffen.

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## Britain's Coal Mines

THE CRITICAL ECONOMIC SITUATION which has developed in Britain since the war is a matter of concern not only to the people there, but to this, and to many other countries which are linked to her by political and commercial ties. There are, indeed, few people who are not deeply concerned over this grim crisis which has followed on the long years of the war, when Britain literally threw her entire resources into the fight. It was not generally anticipated then that the end of the war would bring the tremendous economic problems with which the British people are now faced, and it is realized that this is a problem which extends far beyond the boundaries of the British Isles. What is being done to assist Britain at this time, as well as what the government there is doing to meet the situation should be of interest and concern to all of us.

### Need Coal To Provide Power

One of the fundamental causes of the present crisis is lack of sufficient coal to supply power for the great industrial output which is needed to produce goods for Britain to sell abroad, and at the same time to supply enough for the nation's domestic needs. In an effort to solve this problem the government has inaugurated an intensive mechanization programme for the coal mines, which involves the spending of thirty-six million dollars for coal-face machinery. This is announced to be one of the main points in the National Coal Board's plan for a large-scale re-organization of the mining industry. There are also twenty major schemes for sinking new pits and for reconstructing existing mines, each at a cost of approximately twenty million dollars. In addition, a long-term project for developing new mines and improving existing ones has been drawn up, to extend over the next nine years.

### Will Surmount Present Crisis

Further provisions which have been made for increasing the efficiency of the coal mines include the appointment of a Chief Scientist in each division, with staffs and laboratories equipped to provide scientific assistance and advice. There have also been set up facilities for chemical, medical and physical research which will help to improve production and also to increase the safety of the mines, and guard the health of the workers. During the war the British people failed to be daunted by seemingly insurmountable difficulties, and it is unlikely that they will meet defeat in the present crisis. It is apparent that they are making a mighty effort to solve the fundamental problem of coal production and it is to be hoped that this project, and others which they undertake, will meet with success. It is also to be hoped that through these efforts, and with what help other nations can extend, Britain will again find her rightful place in the world economic order, and enjoy prosperity at home.



VARIETY IN WEATHER, BUT ALL BAD — Variety in weather hit North America recently as hurricanes ripped through southern U.S., snow blanketed Alberta and wind hit Ontario. These cars are in Lethbridge, Alta.

## FUNNY

And

## OTHERWISE

He was a shy young man, and when his partner decided she did not want to dance the next, he was at a loss for something to talk about.

"Do you ever have indigestion?" he asked after a while, in a desperate effort to make conversation. The girl looked at him queerly. "No," she replied shortly. "What a pity!" murmured the young man. "I know such an excellent remedy."

A Pole was passing through Berlin with his small son. The boy saw a huge statue of Hitler and inquired who he was. "Why, he's the man who took us from our chains," the father said. "You know, mother's nice gold chains and my watch chain."

A teen-ager who applied for an office job on a St. Louis newspaper was asked to fill out an application form. When he came to a place which said "Bank . . .," he wrote: "Piggy."

He appeared before the company officer, charged with using insulting language to his sergeant.

"Please, sir," he protested. "I was only answering a question." "What question?" snapped the officer. "Well, sir, the sergeant said, 'What do you think I am?' and I told him."

The teacher was giving a health talk to her class and warned her pupils never to kiss animals or birds.

"Can you give me an instance of the danger of this, Bubby?" she asked one boy.

"Yes, miss. My Aunt Alice used to kiss her dog." "And what happened?" asked the teacher. "It died."

The Mrs.: "Mary we have breakfast promptly at 8 o'clock." New Maid: "All right, mum, but if I ain't down don't wait for me."

Bridegroom (at the first stopping-place): "It's no use, Clara. We can't hide from people that we are bride and groom."

Bride: "What makes you think so, George, dear?" "Why, even the waiter has brought us rice pudding."

"I have never taken a girl out in my life," confesses a wealthy bachelor. Explains perhaps why he is wealthy.

"And how do you find married life, Jack?" Sandy asked him on return from his honeymoon.

"Och, marriage is a wonderful thing 'an' all," was the reply. "I'm wearing a pair of shoes someone tied to my wedding car."

### JAPANESE CHILDREN CAN CHEER FOR EMPEROR

TOKYO.—Japanese school children may shout "Banzai" for the Emperor as much as they wish, but their teacher must not give them the idea. Gen. MacArthur said in his latest report on the occupation of Japan. Schools must eliminate all organized recitation of "Tenno Selka Banzai!" "Long Live the Emperor!" 2745

## Move To Legalize Use Of Margarine

### Vancouver North Member To Sponsor Bill In Parliament

(By F. Swanson in Ottawa Citizen) OTTAWA.—Fight to legalize the manufacture and sale of margarine in Canada is to be carried to the House of Commons at the next session of parliament by James Sinclair (Lib.-Vancouver North) who plans to introduce a bill permitting the butter substitute, it was learned here.

Mr. Sinclair's bill will be the latest in a long series of attempts to rescind legislation which prohibits the importation, manufacture or sale of the butter substitute in Canada.

During the last session of parliament, Senator W. D. Euler introduced such a bill into the Upper Chamber which was defeated after long and hectic debate by the government's majority in the Senate. In view of the fact that Mr. Sinclair is a government supporter, the fate of his bill and its progress in the House will be an interesting development.

Since the defeat of Senator Euler's measure at the last session, he has indicated that he planned to challenge the validity of government legislation prohibiting the importation and manufacture of margarine in the Dominion. So far, however, no court action has resulted.

Canada today is the only country of the world which prohibits the manufacture of margarine. If the bill is passed by both houses, would permit the sale of margarine in Canada for the first time in 24 years.

### GEMS OF THOUGHT

#### EDUCATION

Education has for its object the formation of character. — Herbert Spencer.

More knowledge is comparatively worthless unless invested into practical wisdom and common sense as applied to the affairs of life.—Tryon Edwards.

Real knowledge, in its progress, is the forerunner of liberality and enlightened toleration.—Lord Brougham.

Instruction increases unborn worth, and right discipline strengthens the heart.—Horace.

We understand best that which begins in ourselves and by education brightens into birth.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Enlighten the people generally and tyranny and oppressions of both mind and body will vanish like evil spirits at the dawn of day.—Thomas Jefferson.

#### TOOK BANANA PLANT

Father Tomas de Berlanga, a Spanish Dominican, carried the banana plant with him when he sailed to Santo Domingo as a missionary in 1516.

### SHIPPING ON RHINE VIRTUALLY AT STANDSTILL

COLOGNE.—Shipping on the Rhine is virtually at a standstill as a result of the low water level of the river and its tributaries, the German news service in the British zone said. The water level at Cologne was little more than 16 inches.

VERY OLD INVENTION Mechanical clocks were invented in 666 by Pope-Sylvestre II, but did not come into common usage in Europe until four centuries later.

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### THERMOGENE RUB

### Returns To London With \$20,000,000 In Car Orders

LONDON.—L. F. Lord, chairman and managing director of Austin Motors, Ltd., who arrived back in Britain, said he had obtained orders in the United States and Canada amounting to \$20,000,000.

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## The History Of Wheat-- Best Comes From Prairies-- Marquis As Chief-Of Grain

WHEAT, chief necessity of hungry Europe, grows in most parts of the world. Thanks to the influence of the Japanese Current it will ripen near Dawson City, just below the Arctic Circle. Thanks to the effect of the Gulf Stream it grows near Archangel, Russia. At elevations it flourishes in such tropical regions as Cuba and southern Brazil. It forms a crop in Rhodesia. But undoubtedly the best wheat comes from the Canadian prairies.

The origin of the grain which makes the staff of life is lost in the mists of antiquity. Scientists think that its parent may be a seed-bearing grass that grows in Mesopotamia. Wheat is a word found in the most ancient languages. Excavations have shown that the neolithic lake dwellers of Switzerland grew four varieties of it. China had it 3,000 years B.C., and wheat may well have been grown in Egypt 10,000 years ago. It is found in the most ancient tombs by the Nile. But the spark of life has long departed and tales that mummy wheat grew when planted and yielded grain are myths. Today there are at least 1,000 varieties of wheat.

**Early Discovery**  
Until early in the last century wheat grown in Britain differed little from that of early Egypt. Then one day in 1819 a Scots farmer named P. Sherriff, noticed a wheat plant in one of his fields which branched out strangely. He marked the spot. At harvest time the plant had produced 63 ears containing a total of 2,500 kernels—all from one grain of seed. Sherriff cultivated this little crop in his garden and from it evolved the famous Mungoswell type. Later he improved this into the Hopetown variety. Improvements have been going on ever since.

They say that the first wheat grown in the western hemisphere was brought out accidentally from Spain in a cargo of rice for Cortes. It became the ancestor of Mexican wheat. A Belgian monk is reputed to have brought out the first seed wheat to South America in a jar back in the 16th century. Later European wheat was planted in New France and the British American colonies.

**Saunders' Sir Starts**  
Better adapted by climate for wheat growing than the Maritimes and Quebec, Ontario became Canada's chief wheat center. The Loyal later grew it among the stumps on their bush farms. It seems that the first cargo of Ontario flour for England was shipped by Benjamin Thorne, a Thornhill miller, in the 1940's by boat from Toronto Bay. Soon Red Fife wheat of a Polish origin was popular in the province. Wheat shipped from Ontario in large quantities to England during the Crimean War and brought the farmers up to \$3 a bushel—Russian wheat had, of course, been cut off by the war.

In 1868 William Saunders, a London, Ont., chemical manufacturer, started his smelter on the Loyal near that city, and there began his famous cultures of wheat. In 1886 he was appointed director of the newly-formed Dominion Experiment Station at Farm Branch, and it was he who paved the way for the ultimate great work of his son, Charles, who was knighted for his discoveries, chief among which was epoch-making Marquis wheat.

**Early Manitoba Wheat**  
Not until the West opened up did Canada get into her stride as a wheat growing country. Even before the Selkirk settlers were brought out from Scotland via Hudson Bay in 1813, some wheat had been raised close to Fort Garry in the Red River settlement. Milled, it fed the local population and was possibly shipped to some of the posts of the HBC. But not before 1870 when rebellious Louis Riel had been driven out and Canada actually took over the West did any considerable settlement begin. Pioneers arrived via early American railways and steamboat up the Red River. In 1876 Robert C. Steele, well-known Toronto seedman, went to infant Winnipeg and purchased the first shipment of Manitoba seed grain to reach Ontario. It came out by river steamboat and rail to Duluth.

But frost was still a deterrent for wheat grown on Manitoba's rich, black soil. Then it came that Saunders came to the rescue by breeding Red Fife with a wheat grown north of Leningrad, Russia. A sturdier grain resulted. When the C.P.R. reached Winnipeg in the early 1880's settlement flocked in.

**Marquis Most Popular**  
The improved Red Fife was succeeded about 1899 by Charles Saunders' Marquis wheat. Due to its earlier ripening qualities, its frost and rust resistance, it became the most popular type in North America. Of course, spring wheat commands a higher price than fall wheat, which latter is much grown in Ontario.

Though several earlier maturing wheats have since been developed, such as Ruby, Garnet and Reward, most of them are inferior in many ways to Marquis. Garnet has been extensively grown in colder parts of the prairies since 1926 and has pushed the wheat frontier farther north. But it lacks the baking qualities of

Marquis wheat, whose flour makes loaves which are large and porous. Though the yield per acre may be lower than that of wheat grown in moister parts of the West, wheat raised in the drier central region of the prairies—not necessarily in the actual dust bowl section—is, with its hard but nutritious kernels, the best bread maker and naturally commands the top prices.—D.S.R. in Toronto Telegram.

### Using Thermometer Which Cannot Freeze

New Type Used By Engineers  
Records Extreme Temperatures

**NEW YORK**—Sub-zero temperatures, faced by the Byrd Expedition at Little America even the 81 degrees below recently recorded at Snag Airport, Canadian Yukon, are commonplace to engineers who deal daily with 300 degrees below zero. "Measurement of temperature of the stratosphere by means of German V-2 rockets, for new oil refining, metals and other industrial processes, makes use of thermometers which cannot freeze," according to engineers of the Brown Instrument Co.

All liquids have a freezing point. Mercury freezes at about 40 below zero, different types of alcohol from 142 to 173 degrees below and ether at 180 below zero.

As a result, engineers developed an instrument which they say will record accurately temperatures of 300 degrees below zero and over 3,000 degrees above. These instruments, used by industry, are usually electronic devices which record cold and heat with platinum and other metals instead of liquid.

### Test Show Ear Is Quicker Than Eye

Science Service tells us your ears are much more sensitive to interruptions in sound than your eyes is to flicker in light. Dr. George A. Miller of Harvard University has discovered.

Movies are generally shown at about 20 to 30 frames each second. At a slower rate your eyes would notice an annoying flicker. But at any speed faster than that you see only what appears to be continuous motion.

But your ears can notice the difference between a continuous noise and one that is interrupted even when the interruptions occur at a rate faster than 1,000 per second, Dr. Miller said.

He used "white noise" in his experiment—that is, noise including all pitches of the audible spectrum at random. But nevertheless the rapidly interrupted noise sounded to the ears of the listener like pure tones of a comparable frequency of vibration: the listeners were able to match them up. But above 250 interruptions per second (corresponding to B below middle C) the listener loses this ability to match up with a pure tone.

**NEW WEATHER STATION**  
**EDMONTON**—Canada will have the most northerly weather station in the world on completion of a meteorological project on Eureka Sound just 600 miles from the North Pole. The station is one of a chain being erected along the Arctic rim, at a cost of \$4,000,000.



**NEGRESS FINDS 'NO DISCRIMINATION' AT GUELPH NURSING SCHOOL**—Newest probationer at St. Joseph's hospital School of Nursing in Guelph, Marjorie Scott, Owen Sound Negress, is seen with two other "probies", Marjorie Matsubayashi, Guelph, Japanese-Canadian, and Helen Holmes, Acton. There is no racial prejudice at school. Miss Scott was previously refused admittance to the training school at Owen Sound.



**CHAUFFEUR, SECRETARY, DOMESTIC IN ROSS WILL**—"Surprised" was the reaction of Joseph Fiorini, chauffeur to Hon. W. D. Ross, when he heard he had been willed \$10,000.



Mrs. Margaret Davis, secretary, was left \$25,000 by Hon. W. D. Ross, former Ontario lieutenant-governor. A domestic, Betty Ivers, was willed \$10,000.

### ORIGINAL IDEA OF A CANADIAN POSTMASTER

One-third of a Canadian three-cent stamp was sold in London not long ago for \$155. The stamp had been originally cut because, in 1899, the postmaster of Port Hood, Canada, found that he was short of one-cent stamps. So he cut a three-cent stamp into three pieces and put the figure 1 on each piece.

### New Oil Paint Can Be Thinned With Water

Canadian women—and men for that matter—who prefer doing their own interior decorating, are to benefit from another new chemical wonder. This time it's an oil paint which can be thinned with water. Described as an oil-resin-water emulsion containing 13 different ingredients, the finish was made possible by the discovery of a method of emulsifying oil and water. It is intended for indoor use on walls and ceilings and is available in a wide range of colors.

The new paint can be removed easily when splashed on adjacent surfaces, leaves no offensive odor and has no irritating effect on the eyes. This makes it possible to sleep in a bedroom freshly painted an hour or so previously. Not only does the new oil-water finish dry by the evaporation of water from the film, but also by a chemical reaction similar to that of oil paint which results in a completely washable surface.

### MATTER OF STRATEGY

A dog trainer says it is dangerous to run from an attacking dog. That may be true, says the Kingston Whig-Standard, but we are inclined to think it less dangerous to make the animal take a flying bite than just stand there and let it select the portion it wishes to chew on.

## THE SPORT WORLD

A 5 1/2-furlong race track, costing \$200,000, will be built at Hastings Park, Vancouver, in time for the 1948 races, it was announced by MacKenzie Powell, president of the Pacific National exhibition. The present track is four furlongs.

**Tokyo**—Charles (Peanut) Hayes, Australian sprinter, again equalled the Olympic record of 10.3 seconds in winning the 100-metre dash and took two other first places to lead British occupation men to triumph in the all-Japan track and field meet.

**London**—MacDonald Bailey, of Trinidad, who runs for a London athletic club, was awarded the Harvey Memorial gold cup for the best performance in the Amateur Athletic association championships. The sprinter won the 100 yards in :09.7 and the 220 yards in :21.7.

**New York**—Calumet Farms Armed became the world's leading money winner among thoroughbreds when the six-year-old brown gelding won the \$25,000-added mile feature at Belmont park. Perfectly ridden by 27-year-old Albert Snider, of Calgary, Alta., Armed covered the mile in the sparkling time of 1:36.

**Houston, Tex.**—Three left wingers who finished with Buffalo Bisons of the American Hockey league last season have been acquired by Houston Huskies of the United States league. They are Hub Macey of The Pas, Man.; George Paragter of Calgary and Larry Thibault of Charlton, Ont.

Only three of 61 baseball writers polled by the Associated Press before the world series figured New York Yankees would have to go seven games to beat Brooklyn Dodgers for the championship. Will Wedge of the New York Sun, Al Wesson of the Los Angeles Daily News and Fred Leib of Sporting News were the three who rate the experts' medal.

**Hershey, Pa.**—Hershey Bears of the American Hockey league announced that Gino Rozzini, together with the rights of two rookies, has been traded to New York Rangers of the National Hockey league in exchange for Norman Tustin, left wing, and Norm Larson, right wing. Rozzini, a centre ice player, is from Shawinigan Falls, Que.; Tustin is a Regina product and Larson comes from Moose Jaw.

**New York**—Johnny Longden, former Taber, Alta., saddle artist, was tied with Steve Brooks of McCook, Neb., with 229 victories each for United States jockey honors. They are four short of the 1946 mark set by Ted Atkinson, formerly of Toronto. Brooks finished fifth in the 1946 jockey standings with 201 winners, while Longden was sixth with 187.

### Moving Frontiers Northward

## Progress Made In Developing Riches Of Sub-Arctic Regions

**OTTAWA**—Freeze-up time is fast approaching in the north but officials here who concentrate on development of the great riches of the sub-Arctic regions said that more solid progress had been made this year than ever before in moving the frontiers of civilization northward. At the east-park's exploration of the iron ore deposits on the Quebec-Labrador has made important progress. These explorations are necessary to ensure that ore bodies are sufficient to warrant construction of a railway from the north shore of the St. Lawrence to the mines more than 300 miles north.

In northern Quebec, prospecting and explorations around Chibougamau and Becheval Lake make it possible that another gold mining camp will be established far north of the Transcontinental Railway.

A motor road has been built to Red Lake mining camp in northern Ontario and exploratory work has been developing in the Patricia district.

In Manitoba important discoveries of ore deposits containing gold, copper and nickel have resulted in greatly increased activity far north of Flin Flon.

In Yellowknife, in the Northwest Territories, three mines now are in production and several others have been developed to such an extent that production is expected next year.

The 315-mile highway from Grimsby, Alta., to the south shore of Great Slave Lake across from Yellowknife has 164 miles graded and 39 miles surfaced but it will not be completed until 1949. It is a joint operation of the Alberta and Dominion governments.

A large air base close to Yellowknife, to accommodate the biggest planes used in the north, has recently been opened.

Secrecy surrounds the activities of the government-owned Eldorado Company, to develop the pitchblende mine on Great Bear Lake except that it is working to capacity to provide concentrates for its plant at Port Hope, Ont., where radium and uranium are recovered, the latter for atomic energy.

Reports of placer gold finds south of Aklayik, and considerable mining developments in British Columbia complete the picture of advance into the north paced by government survey parties preparing geological information for the prospectors.

### Barren Valley Can Be Made Productive

Agriculture Possible In  
Dead Sea Area

Representatives of the United Nations have been seeing for themselves that the "impossible" of one age may become the accomplished fact of another.

They have been inspecting cultivated areas of the Dead Sea Valley, hitherto regarded as barren and sterile beyond hope, owing to the nature of the soil, which contains some 17 degrees of salt. But skilled and resolute Jewish cultivators there now manage to grow clover, flowers, and tomatoes, with foodstuffs for their animals—not in huge quantities, for the workers are few, but sufficient to prove that even such an arid waste as this can be made productive by science and perseverance.

The Dead Sea and its surroundings, nearly 1,300 feet below normal sea level, are among the strangest places on earth. The almost lifeless sea is so bitterly briny that freshwater fish, carried into it from rivers, float dead on its surface, while even salt-water fish slowly die; and so buoyant are its waters that a man cannot sink in them.

From the Jordan, and other sources the Dead Sea receives daily more than half-a-million tons of water, but so great is evaporation that the volume never increases. Local tradition identifies the area as that of the Bible's Cities of the Plain, and the Arabs always call the water the Sea of Lot.

### HELPFUL HINTS

Keep milk cold, and keep it in the dark to preserve riboflavin.

Run a crust of bread through the meat chopper to get rid of the pieces of meat that always stick to it.

On entering a restaurant or cafe, if there is a waiter to assign a table, the woman goes ahead of her escort. If there is no waiter, the man goes first and chooses a table.

Moths thrive in mohair and other wool furniture upholstery and in the applique pockets of one; can-broder huge roses on the other. Just the Thrift Item for the house! Pattern 7265 has embroidery motifs, cutting chart.

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"My hope has written to you," was all she said.



**WINS MILE TROPHY**—Senior mile champion at Owen Sound, Ont., colleague, is Percy West, seen here holding the Eddie Sargent trophy. He did the mile in 4.58 minutes.

### Information About Stinging Nettles

At the recent World Physiological Congress at Oxford, two scientists, N. Emmelin and W. Fehling, described the results of their discovery, how that the nettle's stinging hairs contain histamine and acetylcholine. Histamine alone will only make you itch, but when acetylcholine is mixed with it, the well-known burning sensation is produced. It is thought that both these substances are formed in the leaves and from there transferred into the stinging hairs.

Now Canadians would appreciate someone telling them what makes the poison-ivy poisonous!

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The big bear wears three crops a season.

## Director-in-Chief

James Gordon Taggart has been appointed Director-in-chief, Agricultural Services, Dominion Department of Agriculture, highest post in the Dominion Civil Service ever to be filled by open competitive examination. Born on a Nova Scotia farm, educated in Ontario, first Superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Station, Swift Current, Saskatchewan, and former Saskatchewan Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Taggart is regarded as one of the best informed Canadian agricultural leaders. His chairmanship of the Meat Board and service as Foods Administrator were recognized by the award of C.B.E. in 1946. Since the formation of the Agricultural Prices Support Board, almost two years ago, he has been its Chairman.



By  
DR. F. J. GREANEY,  
Director,  
Line Elevators Farm Service,  
Winnipeg, Manitoba

## Training in Farm Science

Successful farming requires just as much science and skill as does the practice of medicine, dentistry, or any other profession. For this reason, training in farm science and sound farming experience are matters of real importance to the farmer of the future. No young man, who intends to devote his life to farming, can afford to ignore the value of agricultural training.

**Agricultural Training:** For young men, 16 years and over, sound, practical one- and two-year courses in agriculture are offered at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg; the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon; and at the Schools of Agriculture, Olds and Vermilion, Alberta. These courses extend from about the first of November to the end of March. They are designed for the specific purpose of training young men in practical farm operation. Instruction is given in all important phases of agricultural production (Field Crops, Livestock, Soils, Agricultural Engineering, etc.). In addition, ample opportunity is provided for the student to take part in well-organized social, athletic and executive activities. The result is he returns to his farm a better farmer, a more useful citizen, and prepared to become a leader in his home community.

**Short Courses:** This Fall and Winter, the various agricultural institutions in Western Canada are again offering a number of Short Courses in Agriculture and Home Economics. These courses provide the latest, practical information on special agricultural subjects such as Dairying, Horticulture, Poultry, Agricultural Engineering, and Home-making. They are designed, both in respect to time and cost, to meet the needs of farm men and women. Anyone interested in any of these courses should apply for further particulars directly to: The Dean, Agriculture and Home Economics, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg; The Director, School of Agriculture, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon; The Principal, School of Agriculture, Olds or Vermilion, Alberta.



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...130 Years Ago



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INTO this scene came nine men of vision... nine English and Scottish merchants who realized that, without a solid financial foundation, the colonies could never reach nationhood. Together, they determined a course of action. With their own money and the backing of 209 other pioneering citizens, these nine men founded the Bank of Montreal, which opened its doors for business on November 3rd, 1817. Never once since then has the Bank failed to open on a business day.



BUT all was not easy. There were hard, trying days ahead—each decade had its ups and downs. From 1856 to 1840, Canada experienced a succession of bad harvests, political convulsions, commercial changes and failures. Rebellion had depreciated the value of property and seriously hindered the improvement and further settlement of the country. The Bank of Montreal survived only by the most careful use of its resources and the confident loyalty of its depositors.



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## TEACHERS SEND FOOD TO BRITAIN

More than two hundred teachers from the Vegreville, Vermilion and Wainwright Divisions attended the joint convention held in the Vermilion School of Agriculture on October 18th and 17th. About twenty were present from the Irma area, conveyed in the bus driven by Mr. E. R. Wells.

The teachers were welcomed by Mr. N. N. Bentley, the Principal of the School of Agriculture, who assured his listeners that the school is for the use of the public, and deplored that many people, even who live near by, receive few of the benefits which the institution has to offer. Those who

later went on the conducted tour of the school can recommend it heartily to all young people who are interested in agriculture.

Space does not permit even a brief report of each item on the program, which was designed to be of maximum interest to all members of the teaching staffs.

Of particular interest were addresses by Mr. H. C. Sweet, High School Inspector, and Dr. L. Ball, guest speaker from Illinois. Mr. Sweet described the work being done in the composite high schools of Alberta, where secondary education is being broadened to include many practical subjects such as sewing, mechanics and horticulture. It is hoped that eventually

a composite high school will be established in each school division in Alberta. Dr. Ball examined the present and peered into the future of the teaching profession on this continent, emphasizing the right of the teacher to enjoy the Four Freedoms along with other members of the community.

Mr. E. C. Ansley, General Secretary-Treasurer of the A.T.A., outlined a plan developed by this organization to send food parcels to retired teachers in Britain. A sum of thirty dollars was voted by the Wainwright Local as its first contribution to this very worthy cause.

After deciding to continue the joint convention in the future, re-

presentatives from the three locals elected Mr. J. A. Smith as president and Mr. S. Olsenberg as Secretary-Treasurer of the convention executive.

To the executive of the Wainwright Local the following officers were elected: President, Mr. H. G. Teskey; Vice-President, Mr. I. S. Reeds; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. D. H. Gunn; Councillors, Mrs. G. M. Holt; Mr. E. Wilson; Salary Committee, Mr. G. C. Welsh, Mrs. B. A. McLean, Mr. D. H. Gunn.

"The lack of women in the nursing profession is becoming alarming," —O. L. Boudreau.

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## C.P.R. HOTEL PROMOTIONS



R. A. MACKIE



H. C. LYLE



C. M. RENNIE

Important managerial changes affecting Canadian Pacific western hotels have been announced by R. F. Mathews, general manager of C.P.R. hotels. R. A. Mackie leaves the management of the Banff Springs hotel to become assistant general manager of hotels at Montreal. With the company 22 years, Mr. Mackie was assistant manager at the Chateau Lake Louise, the Palliser in Calgary, and the Royal Alexandra in Winnipeg before becoming manager at Lake Louise in 1945 and then going to Banff. H. C. Lyle, manager of Lake Louise, succeeds Mr. Mackie at Banff where he started as clerk in 1929. An R.C.A.F. veteran, he has been assistant manager at the Royal Alexandra, the Hotel Vancouver, the Hotel Saskatchewan in Regina, the Palliser, and the Empress in Victoria, as well as in the Rockies. C. M. Rennie, who succeeds Mr. Lyle, started at the Hotel Vancouver in 1937 and has been alternately assistant manager at the Chateau Lake Louise and the Hotel Saskatchewan. He served with the R.C.A.F. in the war.

## Viking Items

Mr. Ed Solstad and some members of his family are here from Woodville, Wisconsin, for a visit with friends and relatives. Mr. Solstad was section foreman at this point before referring to a farm at Woodville. He still has land interests in this district and generally makes a trip west each year to Alberta.

Ratifiers in the proposed Inisraff hospital district went to the polls on October 29th and defeated the scheme. The vote is reported to have been very light, only about 560 qualified electors appearing at the polls out of a possible 1800. Votes on hospital schemes require a two to one vote in favor.

"Irish Loan" one of Gerald Darrah's prize race horses, had one leg broken when hit by a car allegedly driven by Don Hollar last Thursday evening. As a result of the accident the horse had to be shot. It broke out of the agricultural grounds where it was pastured and wandered onto the highway.

It came as a shock to read in the Reader's Digest an article by a prominent medical authority that there is no cure for a common cold. During the past two weeks your scribe has suffered from this ailment and we are inclined to believe what the article says. Several of our friends have suggested remedies ranging from pink pills, an old sock around the head at night, staying home at nights, a whiff of menthol, chew some cough drops, a pinch of snuff, look at the moon over the right shoulder, and even had the temerity to suggest take a nip of rum or a bottle of brandy. No luck. We're afraid the guy is right.

This week the Bank of Montreal carries quite a large advertisement in this paper in observance of the 130th anniversary of the foundation of the Bank of Montreal which occurs on November 3rd. It was the first established bank in Canada in 1817 and the beginning of Canada's banking system. Old-timers will recall that the Mercantile Bank opened at Viking on June 28th, 1909, and later was merged with the Bank of Montreal. This was 38 years ago. Very few, if any, of the business places in town at that time are operating under the same firm name, and many have passed on.

Our farmer readers and others too may have read an article appearing in the inside pages of the News last week that a move is on foot again to legalize the importation, manufacture and sale of oleo margarine in Canada by the introduction of a bill in the House of Commons at the next session of parliament. A similar bill was defeated in the Senate during the last session. This corner is of the opinion that a substitute for butter is not needed in Canada and its introduction would be harmful to the dairy industry which is one of the prime industries of the country. Several States, especially in the midwest, have prohibitory legislation barring the sale or manufacture of margarine in order to assist dairying, and other States have been fighting for similar legislation without success after margarine has been introduced. If this matter has not already had the attention of farmers organizations, it would be a good policy to remind members of parliament to vote against the bill and defeat it.

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at the Viking United church manse on Thursday, October 23rd, when Miss Vera Kokotylo, of Viking, was united in marriage to Mr. Roland Kuch, of Calgary. Rev. A. W. Cann officiated.

The witnesses to the happy affair were Miss Helen Kokotylo, sister of the bride, and Mr. John Yakiwchuk, of Viking. After the ceremony a supper and reception was held at the home of the bride's parents in the Lornedale district. The newlyweds will make their home in Calgary. A host of friends in the district extend congratulations and good wishes.

Stan Jones, who has spent the past few months at Chilliwack, B.C., employed by a bus company, arrived home last Friday.

Due to the Elks carnival occupying the community hall there will be no movie show, Thursday evening, November 6th.

Ed Richardson, one of the pioneer Richardson brothers, farming 12 miles north of town, passed away in the University hospital, Edmonton, Sunday morning. He had been in failing health for some time.

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45 minutes of which is broadcast. They are: (top row) Accordionists Evelyn Bushay and songster 4 p.m. The show audience and air year-old Garry Benson; (middle row) Anne Stewart and Diane contestants, donating various amounts which are turned over to the Crippled Children's Fund. Du-lushen, Howard and John Trautman and Martha Kenny. The A.C.T. Show is scheduled to play in million, Rimbey, and Athabasca, your town in the near future, so playing before jam-packed houses, so make it a date to attend. Betting some 2200 spectators, sides seeing a top-notch radio show. Shown above are some of the 140 your patronage aids: a worthy contestants who have competed on cause - that of the Crippled Children. The show to date. From left to right

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## Street Traders Honor Judge Who Fined Them

### Magistrate Given Silver Snuff Box On His Retirement

LONDON—Most abused, maligned, traduced and misunderstood of the London populace are the Barrow Boys. They are older than St. Paul's, and as essential to the London scene as Piccadilly Circus.

They sell shoe polish, brussels sprouts and Kent cob nuts, from push carts which they like to park at the by the police and the merchants, who are trying to sell the same things in their shops.

They also like to park their barrows where the traffic is thickest, so there is a constant warfare waged by the police and the merchants. The Barrow Boys would have been exterminated long ago were it not for the fact that Londoners love them and buy from them because they beat down the merchants' prices.

In the course of a hard life Barrow Boys get into courts frequently. Because this is the way of life in London streets, John Brown Sandbach, King's Counsel and for 22 years Metropolitan Magistrate, has come to know many Barrow Boys. He didn't persecute them, but he was firm and fair, and the fines he has imposed must add up to a startling total.

When he retired recently there was a traffic jam in front of the Marlborough Street court. The place was cluttered with barrows loaded with melons and marrows, and carriage traffic had to make long detours. Police suspected conspiracy, until it developed that the Barrow Boys were filled with goodwill.

They had a spokesman and he gave the Magistrate a farewell gift, a Georgian silver snuff box on which was inscribed:

"To Mr. J. B. Sandbach, R.C., a grand old English gentleman, from the old street traders of the West End."

In the delegations were Little Abe, who had been convicted in that court building 129 times; Big Alf, with more than 100 convictions; and, among others, Scruffy, Solly, Marty and a gentleman known only as the Greek.

"Firm he was, but square and with sympathy for our lot in life," said the Greek.

Judge Sandbach, his voice a little husky, said the snuff box would be a great treasure.

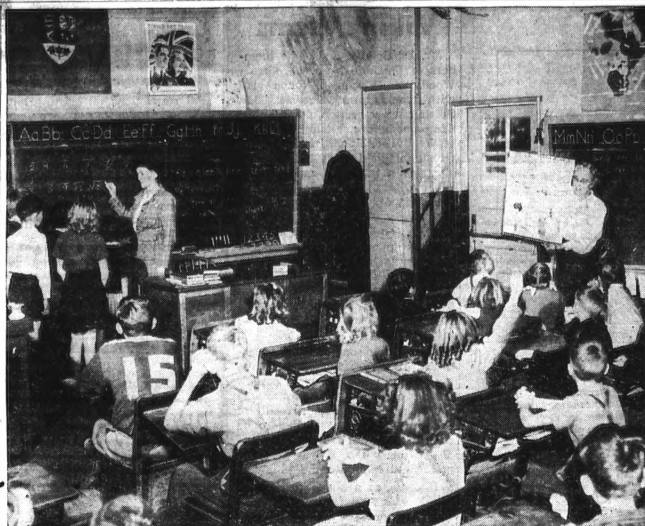
The Greek and the other Barrow Boys are not sure whether Judge Sandbach uses snuff, so they gave him the box empty.

### Foolish To Assume War Is Inevitable

"A peace of 20 or 30 years," says Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, "can well become permanent. All that is required is to change the minds of men from preparing for war to preparing for peace. We must beat it into the collective brains of humanity that war does not have to happen again."

This generation, states the Ottawa Citizen, has known two world wars. The nations have been at war for one-third of the lives of middle-aged folk. So it is not surprising if people, subjected to war propaganda, come to accept wars as inevitable.

But they are not. Men make them; men can prevent them.



**TWO TEACHERS, EIGHT GRADES, 50 PUPILS, ONE CLASSROOM**—Two teachers, each teaching four grades in the same classroom at Humber Summit public school, Ont., at the same time, sometimes leads to slight complications, they say. Here the classes are in sessions with the teachers, Miss Elsie Caswell and Mrs. V. O. Wood admit can lead to difficult situations with their 50 pupils. An addition is being built.



**FARMERS' DAY AT MIDLAND**—Gwen Robinson (left), won "Miss Rural North, Simcoe" title at Midland, Ont., where townfolk were hosts to farmers in the district in a "Farmers' Day" celebration. Three little girls, all under 12 and winners of pigtail contest at the Midland fete which featured a street dance, are Dorothy Fox, Carol Armstrong and Hilda Revitt, (centre). Officials of the festival said the idea was to show appreciation of the farmers of the district.

### KEEPING FLAG FLYING OVER CANADIAN GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS IS NOT EASY JOB

The following article is by Reginald Hardy, Ottawa Citizen Parliamentary Writer: Keeping the Red Ensign flying atop Canadian government buildings is just one of the hundred and one jobs that fall to W. L. Smith, of Ottawa, superintendent of maintenance, Dominion government buildings, Department of Public Works.

Unfortunately for Mr. Smith flags do wear out, and this means that he must have a constant stock on hand to ship to various district points upon request.

Recently Mr. Smith augmented his stock by purchasing a bulk lot of 1,300 flags, at a cost of \$9,344. Just how long this lot will last is a question, but it will probably not last more than the year.

It seems to Mr. Smith that he is always shipping flags to the Maritime and to the Pacific coast. Requests from the Prairie provinces

and from Ontario and Quebec are comparatively moderate, but New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and P.E.I. offices always have their hands out when it comes to flags.

The reason is, of course, that the sea breezes and the salt air demolish flags at a record rate. Flags that would last two or three months on the Peace Tower at Ottawa or on federal buildings in Winnipeg, Calgary or Edmonton, sometimes are ripped to tatters by the Atlantic gales along the Maritime coast, in the space of a week or two.

British Columbia is the next biggest user of flags, the sea breezes there playing havoc with the bunting. The milder weather on the Pacific coast, however, means that flags last much longer there than on the Atlantic seaboard.

There was a time when the majority of flags ordered by Mr. Smith would be Union Jacks, but since the government decreed that the Red Ensign should be flown on all Dominion government buildings, above all Canadian embassies and legations abroad, and whenever "a distinctive Canadian flag" is indicated, more than two-thirds of the flags purchased are Red Ensigns.

Because flags wear out so fast no great financial loss would be occasioned should Canada ever discard the Red Ensign for a new flag.

The flag committee of Parliament, dealing with the problem of designing a new Canadian flag, eventually recommended an adapted Red Ensign with a large green maple leaf bordered in white dominant on the fly, replacing the Canadian coat of arms.

Adoption of the committee's report was never moved, and thus today the Red Ensign stands as Canada's official national flag.

### SALT TAX IN CHINA

NANKING.—The Chinese finance ministry announced that the salt tax this year would bring in 1,511,000,000 (trillion) dollars (about \$34,000,000) or 20 per cent. of the government income.

### WORLD'S GREAT NEED

The Farmer's Advocate says it isn't shiny, high-powered automobiles, or radios, or longer skirts or entertainment that the world's masses are demanding today. It is the downright essentials of life, and of all the vital things food is uppermost. Food is the world's great essential.

The first clocks were made in the 13th century.

### India Was Not Ready For Independent Rule

Thousands Of Refugees Want British To Return

The following article appeared in the Brockville Recorder and Times: British rule in India may have had its faults, but at least it maintained a semblance of order and it dealt appropriately with various outbreaks that inevitably made their appearance. By long experience the British official stationed in India knew how to deal with the people in all their various castes and religions and political and other beliefs. Today India, left pretty much to its own devices, is displaying its unpreparedness for the self-rule that it has been granted and it may be significant that in their refugee camps the people are crying out for a return of the British raj and that flowers recently decked the statue of Queen Victoria in Lahore.

For years it was popular for busybodies in the United States and elsewhere to attack the alleged severity of British rule in India and to demand that its people should be granted their freedom. Now that they have received that boon and are shaking their freedom in a manner which is giving rise to a great deal of apprehension, loss and distress, we hope they feel satisfied. Not everyone, unfortunately, is willing to share that view.

### How Octopus Caught By Bermuda Natives

To catch an octopus in Bermuda, the natives take a common paper bag, put a handful of salt in it—dive down and break the bag at the entrance of a hole in which the octopus is known to live. This simple procedure causes the immediate emergence of the octopus—whose very sensitive skin is irritated by the added salt concentration of the water in his home. In his attempt to get away from this annoyance, he is easily captured.

### ABORIGINAL ARTISTS SEND GIFT FOR ELIZABETH

A unique present for Princess Elizabeth is that from the Arunta aborigines of Central Australia. It consists of three water-colored paintings by the noted aboriginal artists Albert Namatjira and Otto and Edwin Pareroljira. Namatjira was the first of the water colorists of the Arunta tribe and ever since his first exhibition his pictures have sold all over the world.

### Polish Treasures Are Stored In Ottawa

Will Be Released When One Signature Is Obtained

OTTAWA—Two cases containing some of the missing Polish state treasures are still held in the vaults of the Bank of Montreal across from the parliament buildings in downtown Ottawa, it was learned yesterday.

But the Polish Legation here, representative of the present recognized Warsaw government, is unable to claim them back until it obtains the signature of one missing man. The signature is necessary before the bank will release the cases.

This man is understood to be the mysterious, unnamed Polish custodian of the treasures who is believed by Polish sources here to be the only person who knows where the whole vanished treasure, packed in 32 other cases was hidden after the cases were removed from convents in Ottawa and Quebec.

Meanwhile, a Warsaw dispatch said a Polish government spokesman announced that legal experts were to be called upon to assist in recovery of historic Polish treasures taken to Canada during the war.

"The Canadian government would not give the Gobelin tapestries of Krakow, the sword and bones of the kings of the middle ages to the representatives of the Polish nation," he said. "It refused to help us with our claim and proposed to mediate between the Polish government, recognized by Canada, and a group of gangsters representing nobody."

"We will ask specialists in international law to take up legal measures against these gangsters, whoever they may be," the spokesman added.

A Canadian government spokesman denied that his government had ever taken charge of the missing treasures, even temporarily. Some of the treasures had been stored in government buildings, these had all been returned.

"We don't know where the treasure is located," he said, "and even if we did, the Canadian government could not go in and take it," he said.

If a hair brush loses its stiffness after being washed, bring the stiffness back by adding a couple of teaspoonfuls of alum to a cup of rinse water.

### ROCK-BOUND LUNDY ISLAND IS SMALLEST INDEPENDENT KINGDOM IN THE WORLD

Twelve miles from Great Britain's mainland, out where the Bristol Channel meets the great rollers of the Atlantic, lies the smallest independent "kingdom" in the world, the island of Lundy. Some three miles long and about a mile-wide, the island consists for the most part of cultivable land and heath.

All round the coast, however, tower cliffs of solid granite to a height of 450 feet, forming from the sea a most impressive spectacle.

In the southeast corner, sheltered by a rock called Rat Island, the haunt of thousands of brown rats, there is a landing place for small boats, and once a week a vessel arrives from the mainland with stores.

Apart from this, there is no communication except for a telephone connection with Barnstaple in North Devon, and often during the winter, on account of storms and rough seas, it is not possible for a ship to call for weeks on end. But before World War II a daily air service was in operation from Barnstaple.

The main occupation of the 50 inhabitants who form this curious community and maintain upward of 800 sheep and 100 cattle on the island are farming and fishing.

Thousands of sea birds, notably the puffin, have their nests there and breed in great numbers. Indeed, Lundy has often been called "Puffin Island".

## Snails Have Become Menace To Food Supplies

AUCKLAND, N.Z.—Giant snails, introduced into the Pacific Islands by Japanese during the war are becoming a serious menace to native food supplies. They were used by the Japanese as food but they have now multiplied to such an extent that they are overwhelming native plantations of pawpaw and other fruits.

New Zealanders returning from New Britain and New Ireland, north of Australia, report that the giant snails, with shells six to eight inches long, are present in millions on both islands.

"After an overnight shower there are three snails to every square foot of roadway in New Britain and the larger shells don't even crack under the weight of a jeep," declared Sgt. J. R. Begg, a member of an Air Force search team. "The smaller snails pulp easily, though, and once the hot sun beats down on them you want a gas mask to get through."

These giant snails are natives of Zanzibar but in the last century have spread through India, Burma, Malaysia and Borneo. They had reached Hong Kong when the war broke out and the Japanese, realizing their food value, took them to their newly-conquered territories in the South Pacific. Unchecked since the war they are now increasing even more rapidly than in other lands where they have been introduced.

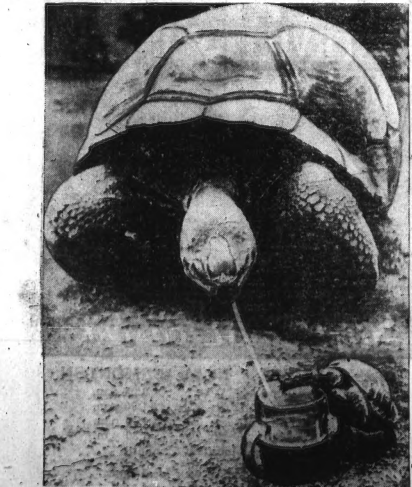
### Postman Rewarded For Courteous Service

TORONTO.—His wedding eve seemed a good time for the people on Postman Les Hemmley's route in Northwest Toronto to show their appreciation for his courteous service. Some 120 men, women and children met him as he finished his mail delivery and presented him with a chest of silverware.

### "INVITATION TO ANARCHY"



Fitzpatrick in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch



**"FRACISE MAKES PERFECT, SON"**—Giant tortoise "Amelia" at the London zoo shows a tiny 10-year-old turtle how to sip a pint of stout through a straw. It took "Amelia" a good number of her 150 years to learn the technique.



## OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

## The Beggar

By Matthew F. Christopher

THE knock sounded like the soft click of a night latch. Naomi opened the door, and he stood there—a tall, hunched figure whose sunken grey eyes peered unobtrusively from a sun-leathered face.

If Philip had been here she would have closed the door. She would say, "I'm sorry, but we have nothing left." Or, just, "I'm sorry." But Philip wasn't here. And it so happened that she was ready to place the food on the table. He might intend to convey the impression that it was coincidental, she thought, but the noon whistle had just blown two minutes ago.

"Good morning, Ma'am?" he said. He smiled, a tender smile that broke through his grey whiskers. "Would you be kind enough to give an old man—a bite to eat?"

Then it was as if Philip was behind her, staring over her shoulders glancing with those level brown eyes of his, saying, "Tell him to go on his way. Tell him we have nothing. Tell him..." He wouldn't have cared about the smell of the hot food waiting out of the door. He simply had no use for beggars. Of course, he thought he had reason to be. But, Heaven forbid! All these poor creatures weren't like that one...

The sun flashed a welcome signal on her bright smile, and touched the high tones of her smoothly planned face. "Come in," she said. "You're just in time." "Thank you, Ma'am."

He had a cautious quality about his step as he crossed the threshold into the kitchen. As if each move was calculated, and none more taken than was necessary. She could almost hear Philip say, "See how careful he is? You got to watch that kind. That characteristic quirk isn't

exactly human nature!" Funny why she kept thinking of Philip, as if his presence were really real.

Connie ran in from the dining room, her brown curls bobbing on her head like soft coils of spring. When she saw the man, she stopped. Her black eyes rose bewilderedly to the man's head.

"Go back and get in your chair, Connie," Naomi said. "We're going to have company." She gave the beggar a radiant smile, and pointed to a chair in the dining room. "You may sit there. The hat can go on the bureau behind you."

She had placed it there after having brought home the things from the grocer's. But it would look silly now to remove it, she thought. Even if he did—she felt ridiculous thinking it—but even if he were one of Philip's characters, there was only sixty cents to the penny in the purse.

"Thank you, Ma'am." He looked at Connie. His eyes, deep in the hollows of his bony face, pinched in a smile. He bent forward slightly, and pinched his blue-corded hands on his knees. "Hello, little girl?"

It would have made no difference in the world to Philip that he was old. The older, the more experienced; the more experienced, the more Philip's philosophical slant on it. He gave no quarter, demanded none. They were all molded from the same clay. "Folks in sheep's clothing!" Philip said.

Naomi heard the man chuckle as she stood at the stove, mixing the gravy with the potatoes. She looked around and saw that Connie hadn't moved. Except that now she had her thumb in her mouth, and with the other hand was nervously curling up one end of the bow behind her dress.

"Connie, please don't do that," she said softly. "Go sit in your chair, like mother told you. The man won't hurt you."

"Shucks, no!" he exclaimed. "I won't hurt you! But, if it'll help, I'll sit down, too. How will that be?" Connie didn't answer, but apparently it suited her fine. Naomi smiled. She brought the food to the table, put some in Connie's plate, and urged the man to help himself. He did, unobtrusively, but he didn't take much. Just a little of each, what would ordinarily be an appetizer for Philip.

He pushed the plate away from him when he was finished, patted his skinned stomach with comfort and satisfaction.

"You're not through?" Naomi said. "There's lots more." He shook his head, and the faint air that he stirred moved his thin, white hair. "No, Ma'am, thanks. I'm through. It was delicious, believe me, Ma'am. I've never had a meal that could come up to that in years. I'm certainly thankful to you."

"I'm glad you liked it," she said. Philip would have when he'd hear. She'd tell him, of course. Why not? He probably didn't have a penny in his pocket. She thought if Philip could be here, now; if he could just sit in a corner and watch, he would cast out of his mind all those ridiculous beliefs he had about these unfortunate human beings.

Oh, Philip, your silly ideas! But she'd tell him, and she would laugh when he'd rave.

"How about some doughnuts?" she asked.

"Doughnuts?" His smile shown again through his silvery bristles. "Well—I'm kinda full, Ma'am—" "Shall I put some in a bag for you?" They're home-made," she jumped up, before he had a chance to answer. "Wait. I've got some paper bags in the kitchen. I'll put in a few for you."

"Thank you—" She saw Connie's eyes stare in awe at her as she circled the table and went into the kitchen. She picked out a bag from the little pile in the cupboard nook, and from the oven got a half a dozen powder-sugared doughnuts and dropped them into the bag. She returned and gave it to the man.

"Here," she said. "You can eat them on your way."

He grinned. His teeth looked new, but his smile was tender. "Thank you, Ma'am. May God bless your wonderful little family."

"Thank you," she smiled, and watched him pick up his hat and leave.

Back in the dining room, she sat down again and began finishing her meal.

"Mamma—" "Yes, dear?" she glanced up. Connie's black eyes were staring very peculiarly at her. "What is it, darling?" "That man opened your purse," Connie said.



HE SAID "WHOA" AND MEANT IT—Bert Hedges of Etobicoke, Ont., shouted "Whoa, buddy," when he saw a man making away with a turkey from his farm. The man didn't "whoa," so Bert let go a blast from his shotgun. Police later picked up the man suffering slight wounds and posterior ventilation.

Naomi stared incredulously at her daughter. "Connie," her voice was sharp. "Are you sure?" "Yes, Mamma."

Immediately, she thought of Philip. Quickly, she rose from the chair, swooped the purse off the top of the bureau. She flicked it open with her thumb, and gawked into it with trembling fingers. And, suddenly—"Connie!" Her voice shrilled high, bell-like. "Connie, look!" She was smiling radiantly.

The child stared blankly at the old, wrinkled, one-dollar bill Naomi was holding in her hand.

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PATH TO ALTAR CROSSES OCEANS—After Geraldine McKercher of North Cobalt went to England to meet parents of John Ford, Liverpool, her future in-laws, the couple decided to come to Canada to marry. John came to Noranda, worked in the mines, and Geraldine asked U.K. immigration officials to send her home, but they got her a job instead. John returned to Liverpool, smuggled her on a boat, and they are in Halifax, wondering if their troubles are over.

### Wedding Route To Be Lined By Troops

LONDON—Princess Elizabeth will ride to Westminster Abbey to be married to Lieut. Philip Mountbatten on Nov. 20 along a route lined every yard of the way by contingents of the armed services, the Lord Chamberlain said.

The Princess, escorted by the King, will drive from Buckingham Palace along The Mall to Admiralty arch. There the procession will turn into Whitehall, pass on into Parliament Square to the Abbey entrance.

The household cavalry will provide mounted escorts. There will be bands at Buckingham Palace, at various places along the route, and at the Abbey.

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### VERY OLD RAZOR

PLYMOUTH, Mass.—Leo Borg-hessant, barber, has decorated his shop window with a collection of more than 500 old-fashioned straight razors, including one used in Greece over 700 years ago.

### Sale Of Registered Aberdeen Angus Cattle

The sale of the late James Turner, Carrol, Manitoba, twenty miles south of Brandon, will, on Saturday, October 25, at 1:30 p.m. standard time, dispose the registered herd of pure bred Aberdeen Angus cattle comprising about fifty head. These cattle are all of the descendants of the famous Karara 2nd of Glenora.

### PATENTS

AN OFFER TO EVERY INVENTOR. List of inventions and information sent free. THE RAMSAY COMPANY, Registered Patent Attorneys 275 Bank Street, Ottawa, Canada.

## More Men Required For Armed Services

### 6,000 Men Needed To Fill Canada's Strength Of 38,400

OTTAWA.—About 6,000 men are needed to bring Canada's three armed services to a required strength of 38,400 and a campaign will be launched to get recruits for this active force and for the reserve.

This was made known when a pamphlet entitled "Canada's Defence" was issued under the authority of Defence Minister Claxton, pointing out the latest information on the country's defence organization.

The pamphlet also disclosed that a committee was being established to advise the defence minister and the defence committee of the cabinet "on matters of industrial organization," which includes planning for the development of common standards and design in connection with the manufacture of munitions, weapons and equipment.

In the recruiting campaign, the army hopes to boost its present strength of 13,985 to the required 18,750; the air force want to go from its present 11,804 to 12,150 and the navy from 6,821 to 7,500.

### Wheat To Inspire Canadian Hairdo

WINNIPEG.—It may seem a bit startling, but Western Canada's famed wheat may inspire a hair-dressing style.

Charles Tugwell of Toronto, at a convention of Western Canada hair dressers here, said there is no reason why Canada and Western Canada particularly should not take a lead in setting fashions.

"We have hair dressers and stylists as skilled as any in the world and we believe such a convention as this—it is the West's first—will encourage them to develop individual styles."

"This autumn we are evolving styles for evening which sweep the hair upward. Western wheat inspires a lavish treatment that is quite original."

### EXPENSIVE MATCHES

CHICAGO.—Matches came high in the early 1800s about four cents a scratch. The Encyclopedia Britannica says the "match" consisted of a bottle containing sulphuric acid combined with splints, tipped with potassium chlorate, sugar and gum arabic.

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1 cup cold milk  
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1 cup cold butter  
1 cup cold oil  
1 cup cold lard  
1 cup cold shortening

3 tsp. Magic Baking Powder

Sift together flour, baking powder, ½ tsp. salt, cold water and pepper add 3 tablespoons shortening, mix in thoroughly with fork. Add milk and cold milk. Beat remaining ingredients thoroughly in 9" frying pan, re-sizzling ½ teaspoon salt and ground meat. Bring to boil. Spread baking powder mixture on top of meat mixture and bake at 475° for about 20 minutes. Turn out upside down on large plate. Serves 6.

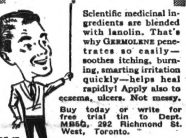


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## LOCALS

Mr. Chas. Coffin was a patient in Viking hospital for a few days last week. We are glad to see that he is home again and able to go about his usual duties.

The W.A. of St. Mary's will hold a Tea and Sale of Home Cooking, also Aprons, etc., in Hedley's hall on November 15. A fish pond will be an added attraction.

Harold and Gordon Anquist spent several days in Wainwright hospital last week. We are glad to report that they are home again and feeling much better.

Who said there was anything the matter with our climate. We'd like to write at length about this lovely weather, only we couldn't keep our fingers crossed from now until this appears in print.

The November meeting of the Irma W.I. will be held at Mrs. Zoost's home on Thursday, November 6. Roll call will be answered with your favorite recipe. Hostesses Mrs. J. C. McLean and Mrs. A. Enger. Raffle by Mrs. Stockton.

Mr. Sharkey Sr. is leaving this week-end on a bus trip to Chicago where he plans to visit with his sister for a month or two.

The Irma branch of the Canadian Legion is sponsoring a dance on November 11.

Mrs. H. C. Rodewoldt was a visitor in Edmonton last week-end.

Please remember the first of November—that's the Ladies' Aid Bazaar opening in Hedley's hall at 3:00 p.m.

We are pleased to welcome back Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirkman and Betty Rae. Rumor hath it that the Kirkmans are to be permanent residents and in the merchandising business, but more about that next week. Bob introduced us to his new sidekick, Mr. Art McClure of Edmonton who, with his wife and baby girl, will also be living in Irma. We gathered that Bob and Art cut their teeth on the same pair of curling rocks over in Loughheed some years ago. Irma curlers please take note.

Hallowe'en is with us again. Let's celebrate in good old Irma style. Lots of fun and no property damage.

A dance will be held in Alma Mater school on November 7, in order to raise funds for the Xmas Tree. Hurst's orchestra will be in attendance.

A. L. Johnson left Irma last week for Feero's lumber camp at Edson. Miss Vera Simmermon spent last week at her home here.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

I shall be holding a baby and pre-school clinic in Irma at the Legion hall on Friday, October 31, starting at 1:00 p.m.

Lillian Tweedy,  
Public Health Nurse.

## Items From Kinsella District

The sympathy of this community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Paterson and Marilyn on the death of Mrs. Paterson, Sr., who passed away in Calgary last week.

Mr. C. J. Bawden, son of Mr. J. P. Bawden and the late Mrs. Bawden, received his B. of Ed. Degree at the graduating ceremony held in "Convocation Hall," U. of A. on October 18th.

Mrs. M. Piescia attended the Teacher's Convention held in Edmonton last Thursday and Friday. Mr. John Lancaster, a much respected resident of the Glenora district, passed away on Thursday, October 14th. He leaves to mourn his loss, his widow, four sons and three daughters.

The funeral service was held in the United Church, Viking, on Thursday, October 16th. The Rev. Cann officiated and interment took place in the Viking cemetery. Floral tributes were received from: Loving wife and family; Mr. and Mrs. David Borthwick and family; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cummins; Mr. and Mrs. A. Pike and family; Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Carpenter; Red & White Store, Kinsella.

Donations were given to the Viking United Church by Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hilliker, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Henderson.

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